

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION
AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT**

**GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT
BESSEMER, MICHIGAN**

September 30, 2007

Auditing Procedures Report

Issued under P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended and P.A. 71 of 1919, as amended.

Local Unit of Government Type <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Twp <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other				Local Unit Name Gogebic County Transit		County Gogebic	
Fiscal Year End September 30, 2007		Opinion Date January 30, 2008		Date Audit Report Submitted to State February 15, 2008			

We affirm that:

We are certified public accountants licensed to practice in Michigan.

We further affirm the following material, "no" responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the Management Letter (report of comments and recommendations).

YES
NO

☒ ☐ Check each applicable box below. (See instructions for further detail.)

1. ☒ ☐ All required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit are included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the reporting entity notes to the financial statements as necessary.
2. ☒ ☐ There are no accumulated deficits in one or more of this unit's unreserved fund balances/unrestricted net assets (P.A. 275 of 1980) or the local unit has not exceeded its budget for expenditures.
3. ☒ ☐ The local unit is in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury.
4. ☒ ☐ The local unit has adopted a budget for all required funds.
5. ☒ ☐ A public hearing on the budget was held in accordance with State statute.
6. ☒ ☐ The local unit has not violated the Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act, or other guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division.
7. ☒ ☐ The local unit has not been delinquent in distributing tax revenues that were collected for another taxing unit.
8. ☒ ☐ The local unit only holds deposits/investments that comply with statutory requirements.
9. ☒ ☐ The local unit has no illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to our attention as defined in the *Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan*, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin).
10. ☒ ☐ There are no indications of defalcation, fraud or embezzlement, which came to our attention during the course of our audit that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division (LAFD). If there is such activity that has not been communicated, please submit a separate report under separate cover.
11. ☒ ☐ The local unit is free of repeated comments from previous years.
12. ☒ ☐ The audit opinion is UNQUALIFIED.
13. ☒ ☐ The local unit has complied with GASB 34 or GASB 34 as modified by MCGAA Statement #7 and other generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).
14. ☒ ☐ The board or council approves all invoices prior to payment as required by charter or statute.
15. ☒ ☐ To our knowledge, bank reconciliations that were reviewed were performed timely.

If a local unit of government (authorities and commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is not included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, please enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission.

I, the undersigned, certify that this statement is complete and accurate in all respects.

We have enclosed the following:		Enclosed	Not Required (enter a brief justification)	
Financial Statements		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
The letter of Comments and Recommendations		<input type="checkbox"/>	Not required.	
Other (Describe)		<input type="checkbox"/>	Not required.	
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board of Directors
Gogebic County Transit
Bessemer, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Gogebic County Transit, an enterprise fund of Gogebic County, Michigan, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, which collectively comprise Gogebic County Transit's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Gogebic County Transit's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the standards prescribed by the State Treasurer. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As discussed in Note A, the financial statements of Gogebic County Transit are intended to present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities of Gogebic County Transit. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Gogebic County, Michigan, as of September 30, 2007, and the results of its operations and its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of Gogebic County Transit as of September 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 30, 2008, on our consideration of Gogebic County Transit's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants

and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance with the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis information on pages 5 through 7 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Gogebic County Transit's basic financial statements. The accompanying financial information listed in the table of contents as Other Financial Information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Joki, Makela & Pollack, PLLC

Certified Public Accountants

Ironwood, Michigan
January 30, 2008

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

Year ended September 30, 2007

Management's Discussion and Analysis

This section of Gogebic County Transit's annual financial report presents management's discussion and analysis of the Transit's financial performance during the year ended September 30, 2007. It is to be read in conjunction with the Transit's financial statements, which immediately follow. In order to address the needs of external parties that read the Transit's financial statements, in accordance with reporting standards, the Transit presents fund financial statements.

Basic Financial Statements

The basic financial statements include the statement of net assets, statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets and statement of cash flows. The basic financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting which is the accounting basis used by private sector businesses. The statement of net assets includes all of the Transit's assets and liabilities. All revenues and expenses are reported for in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets and statement of cash flows.

Gogebic County Transit is accounted for as an enterprise fund of Gogebic County. The financial statements of Gogebic County Transit are intended to present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities of Gogebic County that are attributable to the transactions of Gogebic County Transit.

Condensed Financial Information

Condensed financial information follows:

(1) Statement of Net Assets

	<u>September 30,</u>	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets	\$ 295,074	\$ 265,538
Capital assets	<u>489,624</u>	<u>445,948</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 784,698</u>	<u>\$ 711,486</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities	<u>\$ 35,128</u>	<u>\$ 33,412</u>
NET ASSETS		
Invested in capital assets	\$ 489,624	\$ 445,948
Restricted	3,593	3,472
Unrestricted	<u>256,353</u>	<u>228,654</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 749,570</u>	<u>\$ 678,074</u>

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

Condensed Financial Information (Continued)

(2) Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

	<u>September 30,</u>	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Operating revenues	\$ 55,811	\$ 58,558
Operating expenses	<u>503,340</u>	<u>501,524</u>
OPERATING LOSS	\$ (447,529)	\$ (442,966)
Nonoperating revenues	<u>395,861</u>	<u>371,220</u>
NET LOSS BEFORE CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ (51,668)	\$ (71,746)
Capital contributions	<u>123,164</u>	<u>90,412</u>
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 71,496	\$ 18,666
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>678,074</u>	<u>659,408</u>
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 749,570</u>	<u>\$ 678,074</u>

Management's Analysis

The Transit is funded primarily by State and Federal grants and by a County-wide property tax levy. Operating revenues are made up of predominantly demand-response fares. There were \$123,164 of capital contributions received during the year ended September 30, 2007.

The difference between the Transit's total assets and total liabilities is labeled as net assets. The difference is similar to the total owners' equity presented by a commercial enterprise. As shown above, net assets consists of \$489,624 invested in capital assets, \$3,593 restricted and \$256,353 unrestricted at September 30, 2007. Net assets increased during the year by \$71,496. However, included as an operating expense for the year was depreciation expense of \$79,488. Net of depreciation expense, net assets increased by \$150,984.

Expenses for the year ended September 30, 2007, increased from the prior year by \$1,816. Depreciation expense decreased by \$11,111 due to the age of the bus fleet. The largest increases in expenses were in the categories of wages and fringe benefits.

Unrestricted net assets of \$256,353 represents approximately six months of operating expenses, net of depreciation. Management believes this is a reasonable balance to carry forward to the next fiscal year.

Capital Assets

The Transit purchased two buses costing \$123,164 during the year ended September 30, 2007. The entire amount was paid for by capital contributions. The Transit received \$7,820 for two buses sold during the year. Original costs of buses sold were \$112,505 and were fully depreciated.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

Debt

The Transit had no outstanding long-term debt at September 30, 2007 or 2006.

Future Considerations

The mission at Gogebic County Transit is to continue to provide safe, friendly, coordinated, cost effective and customer response service. This will continue with ongoing safety, driver training and maintaining an environment where each of our customers is valued.

We also strive to increase the value of our service to the community by increasing types and levels of service here. Past examples of this include taking on Greyhound service and meals delivery. Future examples of this include increasing fleet size by one with the purchase of a handicap accessible van, which is more economical to operate than a bus, for passengers that live in our most rural areas and our recent goal to become our county's mobility management center where all of one's transportation questions can be answered with just one call. We have become the Indian Trails agent locally as Greyhound has discontinued its service.

We continue to hold down operating costs as shown by our recent change of health insurance carriers from (Blue Cross/Blue Shield to MERS) and we have worked with the Michigan Transit Pool this year (2007) to provide officers and directors liability insurance at an approximate savings of \$6,000.

We will continue to work with our Federal and State legislators to keep them informed on transportation issues and we will continue to work with our local agencies, schools and governmental units to coordinate and consolidate services and help our area.

We will continue to be partners with our area hospitals, nursing homes and subsidized housing in providing them with both transportation services and emergency transportation and emergency evacuation services, along with being a partner in our State and County's Emergency Management Plan.

In conclusion, we fully expect funding levels in fiscal year 2008 and fiscal year 2009 to be similar to fiscal year 2007. Our transit system will continue to improve through value added services while striving to maintain the high levels of customer satisfaction and service we have given for the past 26 years. We will also continue to look into new areas of technology development to improve our service and search for new ways or methods to lower expenses and save resources.

Contacting Gogebic County Transit

Any questions can be addressed or additional information obtained by, contacting the Transit's office at 235 E. McLeod Avenue, Ironwood, MI 49938 or calling (906) 932-2523.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

September 30, 2007

ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash		\$	115,834
Cash equivalents			55,639
Investments			109,094
Receivables:			
Accounts			3,079
Grants			6,301
Property taxes			953
Prepaid insurance			<u>4,174</u>
	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$	295,074
NONCURRENT ASSETS			
Capital Assets:			
Land	\$	37,557	
Building		572,555	
Vehicles		360,419	
Equipment		<u>160,358</u>	
	\$	1,130,889	
Less allowances for depreciation		<u>641,265</u>	<u>489,624</u>
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$	<u>784,698</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade accounts payable		\$	12,559
Payroll and related taxes			658
Compensated absences			<u>21,911</u>
	TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$	<u>35,128</u>
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets		\$	489,624
Restricted			3,593
Unrestricted			<u>256,353</u>
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	<u>749,570</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

Year ended September 30, 2007

Operating revenues - charges for services		\$	55,811
Operating expenses:			
Personnel services	\$	324,202	
Purchases of services		52,723	
Materials and supplies		36,609	
Other expenses		10,318	
Depreciation		<u>79,488</u>	<u>503,340</u>
	OPERATING LOSS	\$	(447,529)
Nonoperating revenues:			
Local	\$	155,570	
State		167,821	
Federal		<u>72,470</u>	<u>395,861</u>
	NET LOSS BEFORE CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$	(51,668)
Capital contributions			<u>123,164</u>
	INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	\$	71,496
Net assets at October 1, 2006			<u>678,074</u>
	NET ASSETS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2007	\$	<u>749,570</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

Year ended September 30, 2007

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from customers	\$ 55,086
Cash paid to suppliers and employees for goods and services	<u>(421,577)</u>
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (366,491)
Cash flows from noncapital and related financing activities:	
Cash received from property tax levies	\$ 135,122
State and federal grants received	<u>249,064</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY NONCAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ 384,186
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	\$ 7,820
Capital contributions	123,164
Purchases of capital assets	<u>(123,164)</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ 7,820
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Purchase of certificates of deposit	\$ (53,487)
Redemption of certificates of deposit	50,000
Interest earned	<u>12,389</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	\$ 8,902
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ 34,417
Cash and cash equivalents at October 1, 2006	<u>137,056</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2007	<u>\$ 171,473</u>

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)

Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Operating loss	\$ (447,529)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Depreciation	\$ 79,488
(Increase) decrease in:	
Accounts receivable	(725)
Prepaid insurance	559
Increase (decrease) in:	
Accounts payable	(750)
Accrued liabilities	<u>2,466</u>
Total adjustments	\$ <u>81,038</u>
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ <u>(366,491)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the
financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

September 30, 2007

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Gogebic County Transit was organized on November 28, 1990, by Gogebic County to provide public transportation to the general public in Gogebic County. Gogebic County Transit is incorporated as a non-profit, non-stock corporation pursuant to State of Michigan Public Act 196 of 1986, as amended. The corporation operates under the direction of a Board of Directors of five persons appointed by the Gogebic County Board of Commissioners and is an enterprise fund of Gogebic County.

The accounting policies of Gogebic County Transit conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies.

Fund Description

Gogebic County Transit is accounted for as an enterprise fund of Gogebic County. Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that costs (expenses including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or activities where periodic measurement of net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policies, management control, accountability or other purposes.

Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The accrual basis of accounting and the flow of all economic resources (measurement focus) are followed. This basis of accounting and measurement focus emphasizes the measurement of net income similar to the approach used by commercial enterprises, and revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when incurred. Under this basis of accounting and measurement focus, the Transit applies (a) all GASB pronouncements and (b) FASB Statements and Interpretations, APB Opinions and Accountants Research Bulletins issued on or before November 30, 1989, except those that conflict with a GASB pronouncement.

Property and Equipment and Depreciation

Land donated to Gogebic County Transit by the City of Ironwood for the bus facility is stated at appraised value on the date donated. The building was constructed with Federal and State of Michigan capital grant monies and is stated at cost. Depreciation is computed by the straight-line method based upon a useful life of 20 years.

Vehicles and equipment are stated at their fair market value as of the date the State of Michigan transfers title to Gogebic County. Equipment purchased with State capital grant monies is stated at cost. Depreciation is computed by the straight-line method based upon a useful life of five years for vehicles and three to ten years for equipment. All vehicles and equipment were acquired from the State of Michigan or with State capital grant monies. The State of Michigan may also require local matching contributions per grant agreements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Property Tax Levy

Taxes to be used exclusively for the operation of Gogebic County Transit are assessed against all property in Gogebic County. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year in which they are levied. Taxes are levied on December 1 of each year based on taxable valuation as of the preceding December 31. Current property taxes are collected for the Transit by the local governmental units comprising Gogebic County and are due annually by February 15. Delinquent real taxes are purchased annually by Gogebic County.

Investments

Investments are certificates of deposit in financial institutions with a maturity greater than three months. All investments held are covered by federal depository insurance.

Accounts Receivable

The Transit extends credit to various local governmental agencies. The Transit uses the direct write-off method to recognize uncollectible accounts. This method approximates the reserve method.

Revenues

Operating revenues consist of charges for services. Nonoperating revenues consist of revenue received from local property taxes, state grants and federal grants.

Capital Contributions

The Transit applies for and is awarded grants from state and federal agencies for the purchase of capital assets. These capital contributions are accounted for as revenue as conditions of the grants are met.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Net Assets Invested in Capital Assets

This is the portion of net assets of the Transit that consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by long-term liabilities for notes, bonds and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. There were no long-term liabilities at September 30, 2007.

Restricted Net Assets

Net assets are restricted when there are constraints placed on their use by external parties or by statute. Restricted net assets consist of a savings certificate restricted for future unemployment claims.

Unrestricted Net Assets

Net assets not meeting either criteria above are considered unrestricted

NOTE B - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

All deposits were made in banks and a money market trust fund authorized by the Board of Directors. State of Michigan deposit laws authorize local units of government to invest in certificates of deposits of banks located within the State of Michigan, United States Treasury obligations and in repurchase agreements whose underlying securities are United States Treasury obligations. Cash equivalents were not covered by federal depository insurance.

At September 30, 2007, cash on deposit in financial institutions totaled \$115,484, of which \$100,000 was covered by depository insurance. The cash equivalents of \$55,639 are deposited in a money market trust fund invested entirely in short-term United States Treasury obligations or in repurchase agreements whose underlying securities are United States Treasury obligations.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, all cash and cash equivalents with a maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash and cash equivalents.

NOTE C - COST ALLOCATION PLANS

Gogebic County Transit has cost allocation plans approved by Bus Transit Division, Michigan Department of Transportation, for all allocated expenses. These plans have been adhered to in the preparation of the financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE D - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets follows:

	Balance at October 1, <u>2006</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance at September 30, <u>2007</u>
Land	\$ 37,557			\$ 37,557
Building	572,555			572,555
Vehicles	349,760	\$ 123,164	\$ 112,505	360,419
Equipment	<u>160,358</u>			<u>160,358</u>
	\$ 1,120,230	\$ 123,164	\$ 112,505	\$ 1,130,889
Less allowances for depreciation	<u>674,282</u>	<u>79,488</u>	<u>112,505</u>	<u>641,265</u>
	<u>\$ 445,948</u>	<u>\$ 43,676</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 489,624</u>

NOTE E - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Gogebic County Transit has a written policy providing for payment of sick and vacation leave. Payment in lieu of accrued sick leave is limited to \$20 per day for accumulated leave days. Payment of vacation leave upon termination of employment is limited to thirty leave days. Each employee's accumulated vacation and sick pay is computed by applying the current rate of pay times total accumulated leave, subject to the limits. The total, \$21,911, is reported in the financial statements as a liability.

NOTE F - PENSION PLAN

All full-time employees of Gogebic County Transit are covered by a simplified employee pension plan administered by Transamerica Occidental Life. The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees who are at least 21 years old and who have performed services for the Transit in at least three of the immediately preceding five years.

The Transit contributes 7.5% of each employee's annual wages. Employees do not make contributions to the Plan. All participants are fully vested immediately.

The Transit made contributions to the Plan of \$15,066 for the year ended September 30, 2007.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE G – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Transit is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Transit has obtained coverage for liability and fleet coverage from the Michigan Transit Pool (MTP). The MTP provides \$1,000,000 maximum coverage per occurrence, with a \$5,000 retention.

Expenses and claims are recognized when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. In determining claims, events that might create claims, but for which none have been reported, are considered.

Management estimates that the amount of actual or potential claims against the Transit as of September 30, 2007, will not materially affect the financial condition of the Transit. Therefore, the financial statements contain no provision for estimated claims.

The Transit carries commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including physical damage to property and equipment, business and board liability, employees and business owners liability and inland marine liability for radio equipment. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE H – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Transit has received approval from the State of Michigan to construct a storage garage. Total cost of this capital acquisition will be \$64,000 and will be paid for with federal and state capital grants of \$50,000 and the Transit's contribution of \$14,000.

OTHER
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REVENUES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

Year ended September 30, 2007

OPERATING REVENUES

Charges for services:

Demand - response farebox revenues	\$ 49,204
Advertising services	750
Intercity ticket sales commissions	4,530
Miscellaneous	<u>1,327</u>
	<u>\$ 55,811</u>

NONOPERATING REVENUES

Local:

Property tax levy	\$ 132,053
Commercial forest act monies and payments in lieu of taxes	3,308
Interest earned	12,389
Gain on sale of assets	<u>7,820</u>
	<u>\$ 155,570</u>

State grants:

Local bus operating assistance (Act 51) -

Operating assistance contract:

2007	\$ 162,805
2006 adjustment	298
2005 adjustment	4,488
2004 adjustment	(1,655)
2003 adjustment	<u>68</u>
	<u>\$ 166,004</u>

Rural transportation assistance program

<u>1,817</u>
<u>\$ 167,821</u>

Federal grants:

Operating assistance contract: (Section 5311)

2006-07 contract 2007-0212/Z1/R1	\$ 71,006
2005-06 contract 2002-0039/Z10/R1	1,415
2004-05 contract 2002-0039/Z8/R1	<u>49</u>
	<u>\$ 72,470</u>
	<u>\$ 395,861</u>

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

	<u>Federal grants</u>	<u>State grants</u>	<u>Total</u>
Contract 2002-0039/Z9	\$ 49,498	\$ 12,374	\$ 61,872
Contract 2002-0039/Z11	<u>49,034</u>	<u>12,258</u>	<u>61,292</u>
	<u>\$ 98,532</u>	<u>\$ 24,632</u>	<u>\$ 123,164</u>

OPERATING
GOGEBIC COUNTY
Year ended

	Operations	Maintenance
Labor:		
Operators' salaries and wages	\$ 77,356	
Other salaries and wages	37,609	
Fringe benefits:		
Paid absences	16,691	
Other benefits	73,340	
Services:		
Snow removal	1,750	
Maintenance		\$ 9,827
Professional fees		
Other services	389	
Utilities and telephone	9,509	
Materials and supplies consumed:		
Fuel and lubricants	23,088	2,409
Tires and tubes	2,115	
Other materials and supplies		4,217
Casualty and liability costs - premiums for public liability and property damage insurance	14,527	
Miscellaneous expenses:		
Advertising		
Travel and seminars		
Other miscellaneous expenses	711	
Depreciation	<u>74,839</u>	<u>1,639</u>
	<u>\$ 331,924</u>	<u>\$ 18,092</u>

EXPENSES

TRANSIT

September 30, 2007

General Administration	Total
\$ 68,313	\$ 77,356 105,922
14,339 36,554	31,030 109,894
3,875 752	1,750 9,827 3,875 1,141
1,510	11,019
4,780	25,497 2,115 8,997
10,584	25,111
5,245 2,962 1,400	5,245 2,962 2,111
<u>3,010</u>	<u>79,488</u>
<u>\$ 153,324</u>	<u>\$ 503,340</u>

SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES BY CONTRACT AND GENERAL OPERATIONS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

Year ended September 30, 2007

	Operations
Labor	\$ 183,278
Fringe benefits	140,924
Services	16,593
Utilities and telephone	11,019
Materials and supplies consumed	36,609
Casualty and liability costs	25,111
Miscellaneous expenses	10,318
Depreciation	<u>79,488</u>
	TOTAL \$ 503,340
Less:	
Rural transportation assistance program revenues	1,817
MPTA dues	49
MPTA legal fund	30
Employee gifts	<u>400</u>
	TOTAL ELIGIBLE EXPENSES <u>\$ 501,044</u>

NET ELIGIBLE COSTS COMPUTATIONS OF GENERAL OPERATIONS

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

Year ended September 30, 2007

	Federal Section 5311	State Operating Assistance
Expenses:		
Labor	\$ 183,278	\$ 183,278
Fringe benefits	140,924	140,924
Services	16,593	16,593
Utilities and telephone	11,019	11,019
Materials and supplies consumed	36,609	36,609
Casualty and liability costs	25,111	25,111
Miscellaneous expenses	10,318	10,318
Depreciation	<u>79,488</u>	<u>79,488</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 503,340	\$ 503,340
Less:		
Ineligible expenses:		
Depreciation	\$ 79,488	\$ 79,488
MPTA dues	49	49
MPTA legal fund	30	30
Rural transportation assistance program revenues	1,817	1,817
Audit fees	3,875	
Employee gifts	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>
	\$ 85,659	\$ 81,784
NET ELIGIBLE EXPENSES	<u>\$ 417,681</u>	<u>\$ 421,556</u>
MAXIMUM FEDERAL SECTION 5311 REIMBURSEMENT:		
2007 - 17.0 %; limited to grant award of \$72,420	<u>\$ 71,006</u>	
MAXIMUM NONFEDERAL SHARE		<u>\$ 421,556</u>
STATE OPERATING ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT -		
2007 - 38.62%		<u>\$ 162,805</u>
MAXIMUM STATE OPERATING ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT -		
Limited to 38.62% of budgeted eligible expenses - \$426,000		<u>\$ 164,521</u>

MILEAGE DATA

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

Year ended September 30, 2007

	Public Transportation Mileage	Charter/ School Bus Mileage	Demonstration Project Mileage
Demand - Response:			
First Quarter	24,759	-0-	-0-
Second Quarter	25,885	-0-	-0-
Third Quarter	24,329	-0-	-0-
Fourth Quarter	<u>24,682</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL OPERATION	<u>99,655</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>

The methodology for compiling mileage has been reviewed and found to be an adequate and reliable method for recording vehicle mileage.

SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL

GOGEBIC COUNTY

Year ended

	Federal Catalog Number	State Grant Number	Grant Award
<u>U.S. Department of Transportation</u>			
Passed through Michigan Department of Transportation:			
Section 5311 Capital	20.509	2002-0039/Z9	\$ 62,000
Section 5311 Capital	20.509	2002-0039/Z11	<u>64,000</u>
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSISTANCE			\$ 126,000
<u>U.S. Department of Transportation (Note 1)</u>			
Passed through Michigan Department of Transportation:			
Section 5311 Operating Assistance	20.509	2007-0212/Z1/R1	\$ 72,420
Section 5311 Operating Assistance	20.509	2002-0039/Z10/R1	70,283
Section 5311 Operating Assistance	20.509	2002-0039/Z8/R1	<u>50,758</u>
			\$ 193,461
<u>Michigan Department of Transportation (Note 2)</u>			
Operating Assistance - Act 51	N/A	2002-0039	164,521
Operating Assistance - Act 51(Prior Years)	N/A	2002-0039	
Rural Transportation Assistance	N/A	N/A	<u></u>
TOTAL OPERATING ASSISTANCE			\$ <u>357,982</u>
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			\$ <u>483,982</u>

Notes:

- Grant monies of \$8,021 not collected by September 30, 2007, have been included in grants receivable on the Balance Sheet.
- Grant monies of \$1,720 overpaid by September 30, 2007, have been recorded as a reduction to grants receivable on the Balance Sheet.

ASSISTANCE - FEDERAL AND STATE

TRANSIT

September 30, 2007

Federal Grant Revenue	State Grant Revenue	Grant Expenditures
\$ 49,498	\$ 12,374	\$ 61,872
<u>49,034</u>	<u>12,258</u>	<u>61,292</u>
\$ 98,532	\$ 24,632	\$ 123,164
\$ 71,006		\$ 71,006
1,415		1,415
<u>49</u>		<u>49</u>
\$ 72,470		\$ 72,470
	\$ 162,805	\$ 162,805
	3,199	3,199
	<u>1,817</u>	<u>1,817</u>
\$ <u>72,470</u>	\$ <u>167,821</u>	\$ <u>240,291</u>
\$ <u>171,002</u>	\$ <u>192,453</u>	\$ <u>363,455</u>

INELIGIBLE REVENUES AND EXPENSES

GOGEBIC COUNTY TRANSIT

September 30, 2007

Revenues and expenses which are ineligible in accordance with State and Federal guidelines are summarized below.

Depreciation expense - depreciation expense accrued by public operators is an ineligible expense in accordance with the State Operating Assistance and Federal Section 5311 programs.

Rural transportation assistance – expenses reimbursed under the State Rural Transportation Assistance and other grant programs are ineligible expenses for the State Operating Assistance and Federal Section 5311 programs.

Capital facility grant expenses - expenses paid for capital facilities grant projects are ineligible expenses in accordance with the State Operating Assistance and Federal Section 5311 programs.

Michigan Public Transit Authority (MPTA) dues – 93 percent of MPTA dues are eligible for reimbursement under State Operating Assistance and Federal Section 5311 programs.

Annual audit costs - expenses paid for an audit of a transit agency that expends less than \$500,000 in federal funds are ineligible expenses in accordance with Federal Section 5311 programs.

Unemployment compensation reimbursement - expenses paid out of the unemployment compensation certificate of deposit for current year unemployment claims are ineligible expenses in accordance with the State Operating Assistance and Federal Section 5311 programs. The entire amount of funds expended to purchase the certificate of deposit were previously deducted as eligible expenses for state and federal grant programs.

Employee gifts – expenses paid for gifts to employees are ineligible expenses in accordance with State Operating Assistance and Federal Section 5311 programs.

Michigan Public Transit Authority (MPTA) legal fees – expenses paid for MPTA legal fees are ineligible expenses in accordance with the State Operating Assistance and Federal Section 5311 programs.

SUPPLEMENTAL
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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS
BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Members of the Board of Directors
Gogebic County Transit
Bessemer, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Gogebic County Transit, an enterprise fund of Gogebic County, Michigan, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the Gogebic County Transit's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 30, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the standards prescribed by the State Treasurer.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Gogebic County Transit's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gogebic County Transit's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gogebic County Transit's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Gogebic County Transit's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Gogebic County Transit's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Gogebic County Transit's internal control. We consider the deficiencies described in the following paragraphs as item 07-1 and 07-2 to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

(07-1) Ability to Prepare Financial Statements and Related Note Disclosures

Like other local units of government of similar size, limited financial summaries and abbreviated financial statements are made available for the Board members. The Gogebic County Transit relies on its auditors to draft its financial statements and related disclosures in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Board members review and accept the financial statements on behalf of the Gogebic County Transit. The hiring of additional personnel to prepare the financial statements would not be cost effective. Members of the Board should remain involved in the financial reporting process to provide an oversight function.

The Board agrees and will continue to use the auditor's assistance in drafting its financial statements and will remain involved in the financial reporting process.

(07-2) Audit Adjustments

The Gogebic County Transit relies on its auditors to prepare year-end non-recurring adjusting journal entries to adjust its financial statements. The Transit's Assistant Director reviews and accepts the adjusting entries on behalf of the Gogebic County Transit. The Transit's Assistant Director should continue to review and approve non-recurring entries.

The Board agrees and will continue to use the auditor's assistance in preparing year-end adjusting journal entries.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Gogebic County Transit's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe the significant deficiencies described above are not material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Gogebic County Transit's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Gogebic County Transit's response to the findings identified in our audit is described above. We did not audit the Gogebic County Transit's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Board of Directors, management, the Urban Mass Transportation Administration and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Joki, Mahela & Pollack, PLLC

Certified Public Accountants

Ironwood, Michigan
January 30, 2008